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June 25, 2018

**VIA E FILING**

Jocelyn D. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk and Administrator  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, SC 29210

RE: Application of Synergy Utilities, LP for Adjustment of Rates and Charges  
and Modifications to Certain Terms and Conditions for the Provision of Sewer  
Service  
Docket No. 2017-28-S

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed please find for filing the Affidavit of Mailing of Notice Regarding the Public Service Commission's Decision in Order No. 2018-369 ("Notice") and Certificate of Service in connection with the above-referenced matter. By copy of this letter I am serving all parties of record.

If you have any questions, or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Elliott & Elliott, P.A.

Scott Elliott

SE/lbk

Enclosures

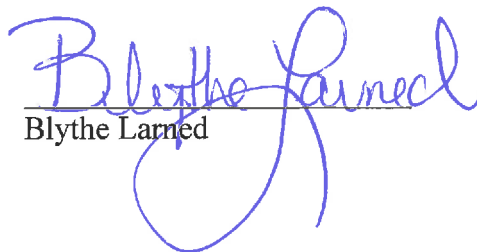
cc: All parties of record (w/encl.)

**BEFORE**  
**THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**DOCKET NO. 2017-28-S**

IN RE: Application of Synergy Utilities, LP                     )  
       for Adjustment of Rates and Charges                    )  
       and Modifications to Certain Terms                    )  
       and Conditions for the Provision of Sewer            )  
       Service   )

**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

Personally appeared before me, Blythe Larned, who after being duly sworn, deposes and states as follows: I am the Manager of Synergy Utilities, LP, I caused to be mailed on June 14, 2018 and June 22, 2018 via First Class Mail, to all affected customers of the Applicant at the customer addresses maintained in the company's billing records, one copy of the attached Notice Regarding the Public Service Commission's Decision in Order No. 2018-369 in the above-captioned matter.

  
 Blythe Larned

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME  
 This 26th day of June, 2018.

  
 Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: 5/2



**Notice Regarding the Public Service Commission's Decision in Order No. 2018-369****Docket No. 2017-28-S: Application of Synergy Utilities, L.P. for Approval of Sewer Rates, Terms and Conditions**

On December 1, 2017, Synergy Utilities, L.P. ("the Company") filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission"). In this Application, the Company requested that the Commission approve an adjustment of rates and charges and modifications to certain terms and conditions for the provision of sewer service. The Company requested an increase in revenues of \$148,225 for Service Territory 1, and an increase of \$84,365 for Service Territory 2, which total \$232,590.

The Commission held a Public Night Hearing near the Company's service territory in Orangeburg, SC on April 12, 2018. The merits hearing was held on April 19, 2018 in Columbia, SC. On May 23, 2018, based on the evidence in this case, the Commission approved an increase in revenues of \$201,316 annually.

For those customers whose wastewater is treated by the Orangeburg Department of Public Utilities (DPU), the DPU charges a service fee and a volumetric treatment charge to those customers. Based on testimony in the public record (for a bill in February 2018) and the Commission's newly approved rate of \$27.50, a customer's bill would be \$94.03. The DPU portion would be \$66.53 (71%) and Synergy's portion would be \$27.50 (29%).

A copy of the Commission Directive can be found here:

<https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Attachments/Matter/583f634d-9aab-42c8-8c62-dba5adb88613>

**Residential Sewer Service**

| <b>Service Territory 1</b>     | <b>Current Rate</b> | <b>Proposed Rates</b> | <b>Commission Approved Rate</b> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Single Family Residence</b> | <b>\$35.87</b>      | <b>\$43.42</b>        | <b>43.00</b>                    |
| <b>Apartments</b>              | <b>\$34.07</b>      | <b>\$41.24</b>        | <b>40.85</b>                    |

| <b>Service Territory 2</b><br>Full Service Treatment & Collection<br>by Synergy | <b>Current Rate</b> | <b>Proposed Rates</b> | <b>Commission Approved Rate</b> |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Single Family Residence</b>  | <b>\$37.90</b>      | <b>\$47.38</b>        | <b>43.00</b>                    |
| <b>Apartments (per unit)</b>  | <b>\$37.90</b>      | <b>\$47.38</b>        | <b>40.85</b>                    |
| <b>Mobile Homes</b>   | <b>\$28.43</b>      | <b>\$35.54</b>        | <b>32.25</b>                    |

| <b>Service Territory 2</b><br>Collection Only by Synergy –<br>Treatment by 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party | <b>Current Rate</b> | <b>Proposed Rates</b> | <b>Commission Approved Rate</b> |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Single Family Residence</b>   | <b>\$23.03</b>      | <b>\$28.79</b>        | <b>27.50</b>                    |
| <b>Apartments (per unit)</b>   | <b>\$23.03</b>      | <b>\$28.79</b>        | <b>27.50</b>                    |
| <b>Mobile Homes</b>  | <b>\$17.27</b>      | <b>\$21.59</b>        | <b>21.00</b>                    |

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned employee of Elliott & Elliott, P. A. does hereby certify that (s)he has served below listed parties with a copy of the pleading(s) indicated below by mailing a copy of same to them in the United States mail, by regular mail, with sufficient postage affixed thereto and return address clearly marked on the date indicate below:

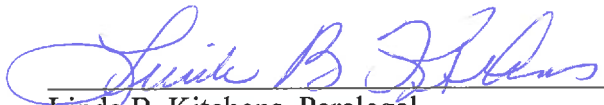
RE: Application of Synergy Utilities, LP for Adjustment of Rates and Charges and Modifications to Certain Terms and Conditions for the Provision of Sewer Service

Docket No.: 2017-28-S

PLEADING: AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING OF NOTICE REGARDING THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION'S DECISION IN ORDER NO. 2018-369.

PARTIES SERVED: Jeffrey M. Nelson, Esquire  
Florence P. Belser, Esquire  
Andrew M. Bateman, Esquire  
Office of Regulatory Staff  
1401 Main Street, Suite 900  
Columbia, SC 29201

This 26th day of June, 2018.



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